



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

April 14, 2003

In re application of : BILL J. COE
Serial No. : 09/879,419
Filed : JUNE 12, 2001
For : **SOFT LINK FOR CONNECTING A GROUP OF
PARACHUTE SUSPENSION LINES TO HARNESS
VIA RISERS**
Examiner : TIEN QUANG DINH
Art Unit : 3644
Our File No. : 7282.4820

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AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 7, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) A soft link for connecting a first member to a second member, said soft link comprising:

a one-piece flexible body member having a permanently looped first end and a second end; wherein said first end and said second end are removably attached to each other to define a single attachment area for said body member and for connecting connect the first member to the second member.

10. (Thrice Amended) A soft link for connecting a first member to a second member, said soft link comprising: